

Chinley, Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held on Thursday 22nd October, 7.30pm at the Parish Office, 3 Lower Lane, Chinley

Present: Councillors P Wilson (Chairman), Mrs A Bramah , R Drabble, G Hewitt, A Knox, Mrs A Phillips, Mrs C Rofer, W Smith and M Walton.
Clerk Mrs B Wise.
DC Cllr David Lomax, HPB Cllr Caroline Howe and PCSO Karen Green.

15/10/94 **Apologies for Absence**

HPB Cllr John Kappes.

15/10/95 **Declaration of Members Interests**

Member	Agenda Item	Interest
Mrs A Phillips	8d WI Hall Windows & 8e Remembrance	Secretary of Women's Institute Poppy Appeal organiser for Parish

15/10/96 **Change to Order of Business**

RESOLVED: To bring item 3(c) Open Forum forward in the order of business to be dealt with next.

15/10/97 **Open Forum**

Shevaughen Biggin, resident of Station Road, Chinley brought problems with parking on Station Road to the attention of the Parish Council. Following installation of the new revised parking restrictions aimed at addressing the problems previously being experienced, obstruction and visibility issues have arisen at the Green Lane end of Station Road in the area of its junction with The Sidings. Vehicles parking on opposite sides of Station Road obstruct passage of traffic. Vehicles parking on the pavement, in order to allow the passage of traffic on the road, obstruct passage of pedestrians causing them to walk around in the centre of the road. This is particularly dangerous for mothers with young children and push chairs, especially in such close proximity to the junction with Green Lane.

Members agreed that the measures implemented had still not been totally successful. They requested suggestions for resolutions to these problems be sought from Isobel Mulligan of Derbyshire County Council.

15/10/98 **Community Police**

PCSO Karen Green reported crime statistics for September. The considerable increase, compared to the same period in 2014, applying almost exclusively to Chapel-en-le-Frith was noted. Chinley continued to be quiet.

15/10/99 **County Councillor**

Derbyshire County Cllr David Lomax drew members' attention to Digital Derbyshire and measures underway to bring availability of Fibre Broadband to a large percentage of Chinley properties, providing the opportunity for faster broadband speeds. He reported that a combined Mayor for Nottingham and Derbyshire, and possible Leicestershire, was being considered.

15/10/100 **Borough Councillors**

High Peak Borough Cllr Caroline Howe reported information from the High Peak Borough Council Winter Maintenance sub committee and Community select committee. Two or three extra quadbikes had been agreed and unparished areas need additional grit bins. The message for parished areas was for self-help and involvement with the Snow Warden scheme.

15/10/101 **Change to Order of Business**

RESOLVED: To bring item 6(c) Community Centre forward in the order of business to be dealt with next.

15/10/102 **Community Centre Progress Update**

Cllr Walton reported that he had replied to Derbyshire County Council as agreed on 14th October 2015, but as yet had not received a response to this. The Community Association was being kept informed to be able to report to its AGM which has been rescheduled for November.

Cllr Wilson reported on a funding meeting with Hayley Lever (Community Association) and their funding adviser. First phase support funds from the Homes & Communities Agency up to a maximum of £10,000 for project viability assessment could be applied for, followed by second phase funding of £5,000 to £40,000 for detailed plans to be drawn up. Capital funding is not included, this would have to be sourced elsewhere, such as Lottery etc.

Cllr Wilson also reported on the intricacies and stepped process (including identification of a neighbourhood area, public consultation and referendum) of Community Right to Build, which would be the route required by the Homes and Communities Agency to be followed to achieve planning permission.

As there is a lot of work to be done before money is needed, timing for the grant bid for phase 1 would be 1st April 2016, followed by bid for phase 2 in late summer or early autumn.

RESOLVED: To approve that the Parish Council work with the Community Association to follow the route presented. The Parish Council to lead on the Community Right to Build Order and the Community Association to lead on the funding. Cllrs Patrick Wilson, Martin Walton and Bill Smith to continue to liaise with the Community Association on behalf of the Parish Council.

15/10/103 **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24th September 2015.**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24th September 2015 be approved for signature of the Chair as a true and correct record.

15/10/104 **Chair's Progress Report**

The Chairman's report was received.

Buxworth Allotments car park - The chairman had liaised with Phil Lomas, who would be preparing the Buxworth allotment car park specification, for the clerk to send out for tender, and would then oversee the project. Letters needed to be sent to prospective tenants requesting their confirmation of interest and invitation to establish an Allotment Association ready for Spring 2016. Advice on rents to be sought from Phil Wiggans of High Peak Borough Council and the current rent for Chinley allotments confirmed.

Website News Items – these still needed to be added to the website.

Tree Work – The chairman would be showing prospective contractors what work is required. Monica Gillespie and Faye Plant needed to be alerted to the work advised for trees in the conservation area (Squirrel Green and Chinley Playing Fields)

Forge Mill (former Dorma site) – High Peak Borough Cllr Caroline Howe is still chasing the associated S106 monies.

At a recent meeting with chairman Cllr Patrick Wilson and Phil Manford (Community Association), High Peak Borough Council Planning Officer, Faye Plant, had confirmed that some of this S106 money could go towards a proposed community centre and improved public space/play areas at Chinley playing fields.

15/10/105 **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk's report was received.

15/10/106 **Playground Inspection Reports**

The weekly playground and cycle facility Inspection Reports were received. It was noted that Mr Manford was aware that painting of the top bar of the swings at Buxworth is still required. High Peak Borough Council had been asked to quote for cleaning moss off the Buxworth roundabout safety surface. Shading by young self-seeded trees had been identified by the General Purposes Group as the cause of this problem and agreement reached with the Head Teacher of Buxworth School for removal of these.

RESOLVED: To approve Cllrs Smith and Drabble to remove the young self-seeded trees to reduce the shading and discourage future moss growth.

Derbyshire County Council's contracted emptying of litter bins at Chinley playground, car park and cycle facilities had been established as scheduled for Tuesday each week, however the weekly inspections were not confirming this. The Clerk suggested that short term close monitoring that this is taking place and daily monitoring of the subsequent rate at which they then fill might identify whether volume of rubbish or missed collections are the root of the problem. Cllr Drabble agreed to monitor the situation.

15/10/107 **DCC Consultation on future Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Agreement**

A consultation on future proposals for the Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Scheme was received from Derbyshire County Council

RESOLVED: To respond commenting that the scheme to date has worked well and the new scheme should be equally successful.

15/10/108 **Planning Applications**

The following planning applications were received and comments approved:

1. HPK/2015/0503 – Proposed first floor rear extension and box dormer, Pike Low, Stubbins Lane, Chinley for Mrs Ele Leatherbarrow
No objections.
2. HPK/2015/020 – Proposed alterations to existing double garage – Meadows Barn, Gow Hole for Mr James Males
No objections.
3. HPK/2015/0455 – Removal of condition 5 relating to application HPK/2013/0368 for plots 1,2 and 3, land adjacent to 33 Princes Road, Chinley
No Objection
4. HPK/2015/0463 – Proposed erection of two storey side extension, 38 Belgrade Avenue, Chinley
No objection. We welcome the provision of the off-road parking space. However, we note the extension comes very close to the boundary with No.36 and would ask the planners to satisfy themselves that it will safeguard the amenity of the neighbouring dwelling.
5. HPK/2015/0562 – Proposed new building for agricultural storage, Hillcroft, Dolly Lane, Buxworth
No Objection
6. NP/HPK/1015/0922 – Proposed extension to dwelling (retrospective), Maynestone Farm, Hayfield Road, Chinley
No Objection

15/10/109 **Change to Order of Business**

RESOLVED: To bring item 8(e) Remembrance forward in the order of business to be dealt with next.

15/10/110 **Remembrance**

RESOLVED: To approve the cost of 4 wreaths for Remembrance Day of £60 and an additional donation of £50. Total £110.

Arrangements for wreath laying were agreed as follows:

Chairman Cllr Wilson would lay the wreath and read the Binyon Lines at Chinley war memorial. Cllr Mrs Audrey Bramah as reserve.

Similar arrangements were agreed for Buxworth (Cllr Mrs C Rofer), Chinley Chapel (Cllr Mrs A Phillips) and White Knowle (Cllr Drabble.)

15/10/111 **Accounts for Payment**

It was noted that the clerk had investigated the invoice from DCC for grounds maintenance for 2014/15 and pitch marking. The pitch marking would now be included with the 2015/16 invoice and the grounds maintenance figure corrected to that approved for the 2014/15 contract and further reduced by a 7.5% discount to cover the missed parts of the service with the contract following changes to staff through retirements.

RESOLVED: To approve signature of a cheque to cover the revised amount of £2614.96 plus VAT. Total £3137.95 in anticipation of receipt of the revised invoice.

RESOLVED: That the accounts listed below be accepted for payment.

Chq no.	Payee	Description	Amount
DD	Talktalk	Broadband (Oct)	22.00
SO	Jackson Carpets Ltd	Rent 3 Lower Lane (Oct)	277.00
DD	Npower	Light/power 3 LL (Oct)	24.00
002462	Mrs B Wise	Clerks Account (Oct)	996.33
002463	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI (Oct)	244.33
002464	Ian Foster	Watering + bed main'ce	2,000.00
002465	A Dewberry	Sq.Grn. Lamp repair	25.00
002466	Severn Trent Water Ltd	Water Charges	139.78
002467	S'prt Computer Services	Computer assistance	60.00
002468	B&H Fletcher	Allot'nt fencing Phase I	720.00
002469	Peartree Print	Newsletter Print & Dist'n	791.56
002470	S'prt Computer Services	E-mail link/system check	60.00
002471	The Royal British Legion	Wreathes & Donation	118.00
002472	DCC	Grounds Maint'ce 14/15	3,137.95
		TOTAL	£ 8,615.95

15/10/112 **Accounts for the 1st Half of the Financial Year**

The meeting noted that setting up the agreed accounting package for use by the clerk had not gone to plan and been achieved in the timescale envisaged. The clerk had been shown the basics of the package by Cllr Walton, but had as yet not had any experience of using it. Whilst confident that it should not be too difficult for her to get used to this system, the clerk was concerned that she was running out of time to master it sufficiently to be able to carry out the budget and precept work or even if this facility is available.

It was agreed that the clerk should revert to using the system as per previous years and enter the current year's data to be ready to undertake the budget and precept work. At the same time Cllr Walton to continue to enter the accounts onto his system in parallel to the end of the year so that the system using the accounts package could be presented to the internal auditor for comments when the internal audit is carried out and consideration given by council for use for 2016/17.

15/10/113 **Buxworth Allotments**

The meeting noted that the first phase of fencing had been carried out

RESOLVED: To check the cost of levelling the topsoil into the three cultivation strips with Steve Goddard and when he would be able to carry out this work.

It was agreed that the fourth side of fencing with gates would follow the cultivation strips levelling and then the main pathways work considered.

15/10/114 **WI Hall Windows**

RESOLVED: That funds are available for provision of two replacement windows for the WI hall and that the quote for this work of £1000 plus VAT be accepted.

15/10/115 **Christmas & Grit Bins**

The meeting noted that tree prices had been received from United Utilities and Martin Wragg, Oak Tree Landscapes, had responded that he no longer wished to carry out the work to erect and dismantle the trees nor re-filling of grit bins, but no further costs had been received.

RESOLVED: To provide the same sized trees in the same locations for Christmas 2015 as for Christmas 2014.

RESOLVED: To investigate the methods used by Whaley Bridge and Chapel Councils for tree provision and approach their providers.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Bill Smith enquire at Chapel DIY whether they could provide a grit bin filling service and request a quote be provided to the council.

15/10/116 **Grant/Donation for Buxworth Junior Football Club**

The General Purposes Group reported that Buxworth JFC were actively engaged in dealing with ownership of the football ground land and were not as yet ready to request funding.

15/10/117 **Litter Bin**

The General Purposes Group reported the presence of an unofficial bin full of waste adjacent to the public footpath 77 at Buxworth next to the football field on Western Lane and requested that consideration be given to replacing this with a proper litter bin with waste collection provision.

It was agreed that High Peak Borough Council be asked whether their bin emptying service would be available at this location and at what cost.

15/10/118 **DALC – October 2015**

Circular 24/2015: General – Certificate in Local Council Administration
Winter 2015;
Vacancy (**Circulated**)

DALC Annual Report 2014-15 plus agendas and reports for annual meetings.

15/10/119 **Correspondence**

The following items of correspondence were received:

1. High Peak CVS – notice of AGM on Wednesday 21st October 2015.
2. Jessica Ashcroft – Letter of thanks for allowing use of Squirrel Green for son’s birthday party.
3. Rural Action Derbyshire – request for information about community food projects
4. Peak District NPA – Press release: £42,000 grant boosts High Peak Trail.
5. Peak District Rural Housing Association – Annual Report for 2015 – 2016.
6. Peak Park Parishes Forum – Accounts
7. DCC – Parish Liaison meeting on Monday 23rd November 2015
8. Peak District NPA – Press release: Peak District in England’s top ten greatest places.
9. Groundwork – Tesco Local Community Scheme.
10. Peak District NPA – Press release: Walk this Way – autumn walks with a National Park ranger.
11. Peak District NPA – Press release: Call for cyclists to reveal their cycling habits in PDNP.
12. DCC _ Digital Derbyshire e-newsletter.
13. William Brindley – Grounds Maintenance Tender enquiry.
14. Rural Action Derbyshire – Community ‘Retail’ Seminar information.

15/10/120 **Reports from Working Groups/Council Representatives - None**

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 9.24pm.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Chairman

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